

idea of the trade that the unassuming produce contingent of the Board of Trade can transact. The figures in detail are:—

	1896.	1895.	1894.
	Boxes.	Boxes.	Boxes.
A. A. Ayer & Co	256,778	202,111	283,052
Hodgson Bros	202,903	228,600	181,684
Alex. W. Grant	172,002	166,786	152,942
W. T. Ware & Co	171,852	142,037	150,243
J. C. & G. D. Warrington.....	112,942	146,558	184,996
Jas. Alexander	90,805	64,403	64,015
Co-operative Co	66,354	51,900	.....
P. W. McLagan	57,291	60,834	49,919
D. A. McPherson & Co	46,103	63,712	81,748
Duckett, Hodge & Co	43,426	52,964	66,167
A. J. Brice	36,461	43,080	27,721
Kirkpatrick & Cookson	27,766	29,814	35,806
M. T. Farrel	12,241	.....	.....
Wm. Nivin	8,040	6,974	14,032
Geo. Wait & Co	884	.....	.....
Sundry	144,185	70,453	72,900
	1,413,512	1,330,226	1,366,235

Last year the volume of local business, as compared with through decreased. This year the local shipments have again expanded almost 100,000 boxes, while the through shipments have decreased in the vicinity of 70,000. The Grand Trunk carried the great bulk of the cheese sent through direct, as will be seen below:—

	1896.	1895.	1894.
	Boxes.	Boxes.	Boxes.
Grand Trunk	211,740	270,115	214,749
Can. Pacific	99,125	106,843	99,552
H. & A. Allan	832	912	609
D. Torrance	959	2,083	1,482
Elder-Dempster	58	.....	.....
Sundry .....	.....	527	85
Totals.....	312,714	380,530	346,480
Local shipments	1,413,512	1,330,226	1,366,235
Grand total	1,726,286	1,710,756	1,712,715

London still holds the leading position in the consumption of Canadian cheese, and has increased her importations almost 100,000, while Liverpool has taken 150,000 less Canadian cheese than in 1895. In detail the figures are:—

	1896.	1895.	1894.
	Boxes.	Boxes.	Boxes.
London	757,745	661,055	661,664
Bristol	437,735	338,901	536,925
Liverpool	392,103	546,258	379,798
Glasgow	99,032	107,102	99,124
Belfast	15,263	15,850	7,627
Leith	9,825	.....	.....
Newcastle	7,903	24,211	.....
Manchester	2,326	.....	.....
Dundee	2,684	4,281	7,577
Aberdeen	1,610	13,098	.....
	1,726,226	1,710,756	1,712,715